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committee amendment and oppose the amendment by Senator Beutler. I think Senator Rod Johnson has summed it up very well. We're looking at a philosophical situation in who is responsible for water quality in this state. It seems to me we cannot, we cannot pinpoint it too closely, because the costs, in my opinion, associated with water quality are going to have to be spread on a fairly wide area, or nobody is going to be able to do it. And so, with Senator Beutler's amendment, Senator Coorssen's bill is not only changed, but it's absolutely reversed. And so instead of a 2-cent increase in the special protection area, it's a 3-cent, whereas the committee amendment spreads it out with a half-cent levy on the whole NRD. I don't know what's right. I don't know what's right, but I know if a small number of people are going to have to accept the responsibility for water quality here, there and everywhere around the state, rather than spreading it out more among the general populace, we're just not going to get it done. So I hope you would defeat Senator Beutler's amendment and support the committee amendment.

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Senator Lamb. We'll now go to Senator Byars.

SENATOR BYARS: Mr. Speaker, I would move that we would adjourn until February 12th at 9:00 a.m.

SPEAKER BAACK: Items for the record, Mr. Clerk.

ASSISTANT CLERK: Yes, Mr. President. Committee on Agriculture gives notice of committee hearing. Banking Committee reports LB 292 to General File with committee amendments. Senator Elmer asked to print amendments to LB 125, Senator Landis to LB 234. The Government, Military and Veterans Affairs Committee reports on the confirmation of Phyllis Lainson to the Crime Victim's Reparation Committee. And the Committee on Government reports LB 466 to General File, and LB 458, indefinitely postponed. That's all that I have, Mr. President. (See pages 617-19 of the Legislative Journal.)

SPEAKER BAACK: Thank you, Mr. Clerk. You've heard the motion to adjourn. All those in favor say aye. Opposed no. We are adjourned.

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